

The Real Property Law Section

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WEBSITE

The Section's website is new and improved. Check it out: www.calbar.ca.gov/rpsection

We have recently added a Discussion Board to our website, found in the Members Only area. Use it to locate other members with similar professional expertise, find answers to real property law questions, or simply find out what people are talking about. Now is as good a time as any to thank Executive Committee Member David Blackwell for whipping this website into shape!



HAVE YOU CREATED YOUR STATE BAR PROFILE?

As of June 1 your only access to the Section's "Member Only" area is via your State Bar Profile. In addition to accessing the "Member Only" area you will be able to participate in the section discussion board, designate a private and/or public e-mail address, sign up for the Section e-mail distribution list and more.

If you haven't created your profile you can start by going to www.calbar.ca.gov/members. Then, just enter your State Bar access code and follow the directions provided. (Note: In May, access codes were sent to all section members who had not completed a profile. If you don't have your access code e-mail billing@calbar.ca.gov and your access code will be mailed to you.) Don't be caught without a profile!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

October 7-10, 2004

The State Bar Annual Meeting is fast approaching! The Section plans eight education programs so far:

- Program 19: Building the Cross-Border Construction Contract
- Program 168: Affordable Housing: De Facto Segregation?
- Program 145: Domestic Partnerships: Conflicts in the Law
- Program 47: Recent Developments in Premises Liability Law
- Program 30: Righteous or Wrongful Evictions 2004: Strategies for Ethical and Effective Representation
- Program 62: Sixteen of the Biggest Mistakes Real Estate Investors Make when Selecting and Forming Ownership Entities
- Program 200: Staying out of Court: Drafting and Enforcing ADR Provisions
- Program 82: Unfair Competition Law and Real Property Disputes: Recent Developments and Trends

October 26, 2004

The Litigation Subsection presents "Asset Protection Strategies for Real Estate Investors—Beyond LLC's," from 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the State Bar's San Francisco offices. Speaker: Jay D. Adkisson. Registration available early September, check website for details.

November 10, 2004

The Landlord-Tenant Subsection, co-sponsored with the San Diego County Bar Association, plans a brown-bag MCLE Luncheon program, "Show Me the Money! Adventures in Landlord Tenant Collections" to be held at the San Diego County Bar Association. Check the website for details as they develop.

January, 2005

The Section Education Institute is in San Francisco this year; details in future editions.

POTENTIAL FEDERAL RULE CHANGES

The Federal Judicial Council has proposed amendments to the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy, Civil Procedure and Evidence. The proposal is open for public comment until February 15, 2005. For the text of the proposals, and additional information, visit <http://www.uscourts.gov/rules/newrules1.html>

NEW LEADERSHIP

We are pleased to announce that Mia Weber is our new Managing Editor of the Journal. Mia surely will continue the Journal's tradition of excellence!



Her predecessor, Teresa Klinkner, has become a member of the Executive Committee, but leaves the Journal in good hands. Teresa will take on responsibility for this Newsletter.



SUBSECTION CHAIR OPPORTUNITIES

We have three leadership positions available—take advantage of this chance to get involved with your Section, meet new people, and contribute to the profession! We have openings for: (1) Northern California Chair – Zoning and Land Use; (2) Northern California Chair – Brokerage; and (3) Southern California Chair – Brokerage. Contact Nargis Choudry at (818) 566-7070 or Gordon Eng at (310) 527-7781.

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JOURNAL MCLE OFFERING A BIG SUCCESS

Your most recent edition of the Journal included, for the first time, a self-study test to satisfy one hour of the Bar's MCLE requirement. More than 70 of you participated – a terrific return for our first effort in this area. As this seems to be a useful and appreciated member benefit, we will continue to offer it on a regular basis. Watch for the second self-study test in the Fall Journal.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OF THE BAR

CEB is offering special discounts on selected products to State Bar Real Property Law Section members. Information about these discounts is available on a dedicated web page: www.ceb.com/RealPropertySection. Offers change regularly—check in often! Remember, CEB will also provide a dues rebate if you purchase a Gold Passport or a single event ticket and indicate that you are a Section member. For more information, see <http://www.ceb.com/promotions/statebarrebate.asp>.

JOIN A SUBSECTION

- Central Coast Roundtable
- Natural Resources
- Commercial Leasing
- Real Estate Finance
- Common Interest Development
- Real Estate Litigation
- Construction and Commerce/Industrial Development
- Real Estate Sales and Brokerage
- Environmental Law
- Residential Landlord – Tenant
- Fresno/Central Valley Roundtable
- Title Insurance
- Inverse Condemnation/Eminent Domain
- Sacramento/Central Valley Roundtable
- Law Professors Roundtable
- Zoning and Land Use

NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

To submit materials to be included in the next edition of the Real Property Section Newsletter, please send them to Jean Bertrand at jbertrand@mjlhp.com or (415) 901-8701 (fax). Items can include announcements of upcoming programs, reports of prior programs, pro bono success stories, and the like.

REMEMBER: If you miss a CLE session offered by the State Bar, audiotapes are available. The Versa-Tape Company has a large library of audio cassettes of educational programs sponsored by the Real Property Law Section, the State Bar of California and all of the State Bar Sections. For information, call (626) 791-8907, (800) 727-8883 or visit versatape.com. To contact the Real Property Law Section call (415) 538-2564 or e-mail Pam.Wilson@calbar.ca.gov.